We met in May of our second year of high school
OH, DO YOU LIKE THAT AUTHOR?
I'VE BEEN MEANING TO TALK TO YOU,
and really hit it off
SINCE WE SEEM TO BE INTO SOME OF THE SAME STUFF
By November, we were in love.
UM,
I LIKE YOU, TAKAKO!

OKAY, I'M TAKING IT NOW!
CLICK
Then, in January...
I'M SORRY

Blank, Continued
Yotsuhara Furiko
I DON'T KNOW YOU!
THEY SAY
THAT I'VE LOST TWO YEARS OF MY MEMORY.
....HUH?
FLUTTER

My existence was wiped blank.
MINA-HOOO!
TOKITOU-SAN IS HERE TO SEE YOU!

It must be scary when a stranger knows things about you that you don't.

I do understand, but...
SHE'S LIKE A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT PERSON
OH!
HMM?
THIS PLACE...
MAKES PUMPKIN PUDDING.

I guess
THIS PLACE MAKES GREAT PUDDING!
C'MON, LET'S GET SOME!
some things are still the same.
ZZZZZZZZ
JUMP
YOUR CELL PHONE?
Go ahead and answer it.
...NO, IT'S OKAY!
NGH
I DON'T KNOW HOW TO USE IT.
AND...
clench

I WON'T KNOW THE PERSON WHO'S CALLING ANYWAY,
SO WHAT DOES IT MATTER?
Sent
To: Minaho
I heard you were in an accident. You OK?
Sent
To: Minaho
I'm worried. When you g this, write me back?
...WANT ME TO
SHOW YOU HOW TO USE IT?
OH, LEAVING ALREADY, TOKITOU-SAN?
YES. SORRY TO IMPOSE ON YOU SO LATE IN THE EVENING
Where's Minaho?
Getting something I forgot
OH, IT'S SO DARK OUT.
WHERE DO YOU LIVE? WILL YOU BE ALL RIGHT GETTING HOME?
WHAT?!
I LIVE BY ASHIMOFU STATION*.

*note: This is a made-up station name that is likely a reference to Isaac Asimov

THAT'S ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE SCHOOL! AREN'T YOU GOING AWFULLY FAR OUT OF YOUR WAY TO COME HERE?
IT'S FINE
...OH,
um
IF MY VISITS
AREN'T AN IMPOSITION, I MEAN .
IS THIS THE RIGHT PAPER, TOKITOU-SAN?
.....
hug!
UM,
WHAT'S WRONG, MOM?
THANK YOU, TOKITOU-SAN.
PLEASE KEEP ON

Her mom thanked me ..
BEING A GOOD FRIEND TO HER
SHE'S LUCKY TO HAVE A FRIEND LIKE YOU.
I GUESS SHE'D NEVER SUSPECT THAT A FEMALE CLASSMATE
COULD BE HER DAUGHTER'S GIRLFRIEND.

Inbox
From: Minaho
I had fun on our date today. Let's go on another soon! Love you! (^3^) kiss
OR SAW THE LOVE LETTERS WE SENT EACH OTHER, SHE WOULDN'T REALIZE WHAT WAS REALLY GOING ON
EVEN IF SHE THOUGHT ABOUT HOW I'M OVER THERE EVERY DAY

I'm keeping this secret to myself
.....
I'm sure she'd..
If she found out that we used to be a couple,
I BROUGHT A SCI-FI BOOK TODAY
I have to make sure she doesn't find out.

SCI-FI? HMM
IT WAS AMAZING! I HEARD IT'S BASED ON A FOREIGN TV SERIES.
OH, WE HAVE THE DVDS.
The robot was so cute!!!!
WHOA, REALLY?!

I LOVE THIS BOOK,
BUT I DON'T KNOW ANY-ONE ELSE WHO'S READ IT.
It's a different translation.
Why'd you borrow it when you have your own copy?

She's lost her memories,
I'D BEEN WANTING TO FOR A LONG TIME
I'M SO GLAD I GOT UP THE COURAGE TO TALK TO YOU.

but she might still like the same things...
like that pudding.
HEH.
JUST GIVE IT A CHANCE
HMM A FOREIGN BOOK, HUH?
I've never read one.
YOU'LL LIKE IT, I PROMISE.
...OKAY.

Just knowing that she still liked me
would be enough.
TAKAKO!
WHAT COLLEGE ARE YOU GOING TO PUT DOWN?
IT WOULD BE COOL IF WE WENT TO THE SAME ONE.
WE COULD LIVE TOGETHER.

I CAN'T BELIEVE WE ONLY HAVE ONE MORE YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL LEFT.
I WANT TO BE WITH YOU FOREVER
TAHARA-S/N?
tweet tweet tweet
.....

IS SHE EVER COMING BACK TO SCHOOL?
SHE HASN'T WITHDRAWN FROM SCHOOL, BUT SHE WILL BE ABSENT FOR A WHILE. WE'RE GOING TO WAIT AND SEE HOW THINGS GO.
WELL,
SEEING HER FRIENDS AND CLASSROOM AGAIN MIGHT BRING BACK SOME MEMORIES,
BUT IT WOULD REQUIRE A LOT OF COURAGE
MAYBE MINAHO
HAS NO INTENTION OF TRYING TO GET HER MEMORIES BACK...
I'VE BEEN WANTING TO TALK TO YOU
FOR A LONG TIME NOW.

Those days are gone forever.
...I MISS YOU,
sigh
MINA-HO.

BEEP
BEEP
CLICK
BEEP
I MISS THE OLD YOU.
CLICK
CLICK
BEEP BEEP
BEEP BEEP
BEEP
BEEP BEEP
BEEP
SNAP
HUH?

I WISH SHE'D REMEMBER ME
CLICK
AND TELL ME THAT EVERY-THING WAS GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT
AND STOP CALLING ME "TOKITOU-SAN."
I WISH WE COULD GO BACK
TO THE WAY THINGS WERE BEFORE
WHAT DO YOU KNOW?!
The way things used to be
THIS IS MY PUNISH-MENT. .
I'M NOT THAT GIRL WHO WAS YOUR GIRLFRIEND!

All I thought about was what I wanted from her...
FOR BEING SO SELFISH
I never took the time to really see her.
BLANK

TAKAKO, ALL THIS TIME, I'VE...
BLANK.

BLANK.
THEY'RE ALL
BLANK.
I'll never get another miracle like that.
FLUTTER

Hmm...
THIS BOOK WASN'T VERY GOOD.

OH, THE ONE YOU BORROWED YESTERDAY?
It was about amnesia right?
THE CHARACTERS ALWAYS GET THEIR MEMORIES BACK IN THESE THINGS.
DO PEOPLE REALLY REGAIN THEIR MEMORIES THAT OFTEN IN REAL LIFE?
Hmmm.
THE ENDING'S NEVER A SURPRISE, Y'KNOW?
..EVEN IF I LOST ALL MY MEMORIES OF YOU
AND COULDN'T GET THEM BACK,
SKRRK
AS LONG AS I SAW YOU AGAIN,
I KNOW I'D FALL IN LOVE WITH YOU ALL OVER AGAIN, MINAKO.
I'D FALL IN LOVE WITH YOU A HUNDRED TIMES OVER.

If they've all been wiped blank,
GEEZ, I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU SAID ALL THAT!
we'll just rewrite them. No matter how many times it takes.

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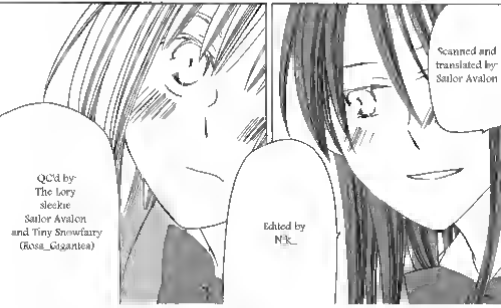

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